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what is over and above the sum which is equal to the share capital is taken away and utilized by the Government for their nation-building activities? "

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" We have permitted the societies to utilize Rs. 10,000 or 50 per cent of the reserve fund whichever is less for the purchase of pumpsets and small tractors in furtherance of the Grow More Food Campaign."

SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI :—" Besides the ordinary reserve fund, some societies have undisbursed profits with them. Will the Government be pleased to permit these societies to utilize these undisbursed profits for purposes like construction of schools and hospitals? "

THE HON. SRI D. SANJIVAYYA :—" That question is under the consideration of the Government."

Checking the increase in crime.

* 227 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN: Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state what steps Government have taken to check the fall in detection of crimes and the increase in volume of crimes referred to in the review of the Police Administration Report of 1951?

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" The Government have taken some special steps in 1952 to check the increase in crime and the fall in detection. The results will be watched."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" Will the Government enlist public co-operation in such matters? What are the steps the Government have taken in this regard to check the fall in detection? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" All through, public co-operation is called for and that co-operation can only be by way of evidence of witnesses."

SRI V. R. NAGARAJAN :—" May I invite the attention of the Government to the fact, apart from the review of the work of the police department contained in the Administration Report, that the Committee appointed by the Government to go into the question of separation of the Judiciary from the Executive have made certain observations, viz., that criminal justice has failed or rather is going slow on account of slow investigation of cases by the police and may I suggest that the police in circle police stations may be furnished with one jeep for each station so that they may be in a position to expedite their investigation and have easy access to the villages? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The hon. Member is making a suggestion."

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" It is not transport difficulties that stand in the way of detection or investigation of cases and it is not transport difficulties that

encourage crime. The fact is that crime takes place according to the will, intent and deliberate plan of the criminal and the police have to find out, after the horse is stolen, how it was stolen. The question is always a matter of individual cases and merits. Government have been taking some special steps which I need not discuss here in public because that will help the criminals."

SRI V. GOPALA GOUNDER :—" Are the Government aware that this increase in crime is due to the fact that the police and the subordinate officers are utterly neglecting their duties so far as preventive action is concerned? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" The increase is not at all due to any administrative conditions existing now. The hon. Member should remember that economic conditions play a much greater part than anything else."

SRI C. V. K. RAO :—" Is it not also true that crime has been on the increase since this Government came into power? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" This Government came into power in 1952 and this question is about the previous year's Administration Report."

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" In his answer the Hon. the Chief Minister has told us that the economic condition of the people also plays its part in the increase of crimes. (The Hon. Sri C. Rajagopalachari : ' I said " much greater part " '.). Yes. If so, what steps have the Government taken, now that an economic crisis is on, to check the increase of crimes and also to prevent people from resorting to crime for solving their economic troubles? "

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" As I have already said, we are taking steps in regard to detection and prevention of crime, which, I said, for certain reasons we need not discuss here. As regards the economic condition of the people, the entire Budget debate was with respect to that and the Opposition is making a very reasonable offer to take over the Government, if possible." (Laughter.)

Payment of salary to Tanjore Veterinary staff.

* 228 Q.—SRI K. V. RAMASWAMI (on behalf of Sri S. Ramalingam) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state why the payment of salary to the Veterinary staff in Tanjore district for the months of June and July 1952 was delayed by two months?

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" The delay was due to there having been no qualified Accountant or Head Clerk in the office of the District Veterinary Officer, Tanjore, for the period from 23rd June 1952 to 5th July 1952 and 11th July 1952 to 14th August 1952. The matter was already examined by Government and the Director of Animal Husbandry has issued necessary instructions to see that no such delays occur in future."